(*b*) (i) where none of the selected candidates was recruited.

(A) Fees for selected candidates —— Rs. 428 (approx.)

(B) Fees for unselected including unqualified candidates Rs. 2544 (approx)

(ii) where some of the selected candidates were not recruited.

(A) Fees for selected candidates. Rs. 1618 (approx.)

(B) Fees for unselected including unqualified candidates Rs. 2194 (approx.)

The fees in many cases included the fee for other appointments for which a candidate was also an applicant.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: With reference to the answer to part (*a*) of the question, may I know what the figures in columns 2 and 3 refer to ?

DR. G. D. NOKES: The figures in column 2 refer to the half year, and the figures in column 3 to the various types of appointment.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know why after having been selected they were not appointed ?

DR. G. D. NOKES: In some cases long service candidates may have been appointed in preference to them. In some cases the posts have been abolished. In other cases opportunities have not yet arisen for filling the estimated vacancies.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether the candidates who applied were in any way responsible for their not being appointed ?

DR. G. D. NOKES: No, they are not to blame.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know why after they were selected the candidates were not appointed ?

DR. G. D. NOKES: The position is this. A certain number of vacancies is estimated. But the estimated vacancies may not occur. There is the possibility of a vacancy estimated in the first half of 1113 (say) not arising because the incumbent who is expected to take leave may not take leave for even a year. So the occurrence of a vacancy is postponed.

Examinations held by the Public Service Commissioner.

5. ***MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN** (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many examinations the Public Service Commissioner has conducted for the selection of clerks on Rs. 20 ;

(*b*) when was the first examination conducted ;

(*c*) how many candidates were selected as per the first selection ;

(*d*) whether it was the idea to recruit these candidates within six months of the selection :

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(*e*) whether all the selected candidates were actually appointed within the anticipated period of six months;

(*f*) if not, how many were recruited within that period;

(*g*) when was the 2nd examination conducted;

(*h*) how many candidates were selected as per the 2nd list; and

(*i*) how many candidates were outstanding in the first list of selected candidates?

DR. G. D. NOKES: (*Public Service Commissioner*): (*a*) Two.

(*b*) Chingom 1112.

(*c*) 510.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) All the selected candidates were not appointed in six months.

(*f*) 27 were advised for recruitment there being 98 vacancies filled by long service candidates.

(*g*) Kanni 1113.

(*h*) 348.

(*i*) The member is referred to page 48 of the Public Service Department Report for 1112 M. E.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: With reference to answer to part (e) may I know whether in the Gazette notification the candidates were told that the vacancies would occur within six months?

DR. G. D. NOKES: No. They were informed that the following vacancies are estimated for the coming half year but long service candidates may be recruited, in preference, and in any event the estimated vacancies may not occur either in the half year in question or at all.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: With reference to part (h) of the question may I know whether any candidate was selected on that understanding at the time the second selection was made?

DR. G. D. NOKES: Yes, Sir.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: In that case may I know what was the objection to holding a selection examination?

DR. G. D. NOKES: There was no need for a third examination. The position was that we had a large number of selected candidates at the end of 1112, and a number of selected candidates for 1113. So we have not made further selections. If the member wants to know the principal reason, I may tell him that, just after the second test was held, orders were passed enabling heads of departments to appoint in short vacancies not exceeding a month. The estimate included a large number of such short vacancies which were later excluded from the purview of the rules.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU: സർ, ഒരു പ്രായിൻറ് ഓഫ് ഓർഡർ. ഒരു ചോദ്യത്തിനു ഉത്തരം പറയുമ്പോൾ ഒരു ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനു മാജികനു് കേവലം ഉത്തരത്തിനു പകരം സുദീർഘമായി ഒരു പ്രസംഗത്തിനു അവകാശമുണ്ടോ?

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PRESIDENT: Order, order. It is always a matter of some little controversy as to when an answer becomes a speech. But questions are sometimes put in the form of speeches and replies follow suit.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know on what principle the second selective test was held when a good number of candidates in the first test were not appointed?

DR. G. D. NOKES: Sir, I have already explained that by what is described as a long speech which was objected to by an honourable member.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI (*Thovala* cum *Agasteeswaram*): May I khow whether the member is prepared to assure the House that the second elective test was not held with the intention of getting money?

DR. G. D. NOKES: Whose intention? Personally I had no such intention.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: I am asking not of Dr. Nokes' intention but I am asking whether Government had any idea of collecting money by way of fees by holding the second test.

PRESIDENT: Order, order. I do not think it is possible for Dr. Nokes, however capable he may be, to define the intentions of Government. The Chief Secretary may answer the question, whether it is the object of Government to hold these examinations for the purpose of making money.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: No, Sir.

Appointments made without the advice of the Public Service Commissioner.

6. *MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether appointing authorities could make initial appointments in short-term vacancies without advice from the Public Service Commissioner; and

(*b*) whether such service will count for seniority in the matter of recruitment by the Public Service Commissioner?

DR. G. D. NOKES: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No, in the Higher and Intermediate Division.
Yes, in the Lower Division.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: With reference to answer to part (a) of the question may I know whether the Public Service Commissioner will kindly refer to any rule or Government order whereby short-term service will be considered in the matter of making appointments to the Public Service?

DR. G. D. NOKES: As far as I am aware, there is no specific rule or order on the subject.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether in regard to the lower division the service only before 25th June 1935 that a candidate has put in is not taken into account?

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